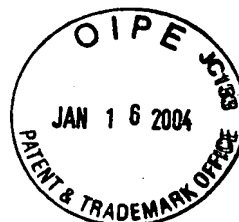


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Serial No.: 10/037,851
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For: **MICROSCOPE AND METHOD FOR OPERATING A MICROSCOPE**

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an **Response to Office Action (8 pages)** in the above-identified application.

- [] Small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 has been previously established.
[] Applicants assert small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27.
[X] No fee for additional claims is required.
[] A filing fee for additional claims calculated as shown below, is required:

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	REMAINING	HIGHEST		RATE	FEE		RATE	FEE
	AFTER	PREVIOUSLY	PRESENT					
	AMENDMENT	PAID FOR	EXTRA					
TOTAL CLAIMS	* Minus**	=	0	x \$ 9	\$		x \$ 18	\$
INDEP. CLAIMS	* Minus***	=	0	x \$ 40	\$		x \$ 80	\$
[] FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM				+ \$135	\$		+ \$270	\$

TOTAL: \$ OR TOTAL: \$

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[] Petition for extension under 37 C.F.R. 1.136
[] Other:
- [] Check(s) in the amount of **\$0.00** is/are attached to cover:
[] Filing fee for additional claims under 37 C.F.R. 1.16
[] Petition fee for extension under 37 C.F.R. 1.136
[] Other:
- [X] The Assistant Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0552.
- [X] Any filing fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 for the presentation of additional claims which are not paid by check submitted herewith.
- [X] Any patent application processing fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.17.
- [X] Any petition fees for extension under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 which are not paid by check submitted herewith, and it is hereby requested that this be a petition for an automatic extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136.

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